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LOSS OF \$3,000.

Barn and Sheep Owned by A. O. Ferguson Destroyed by Fire.

A fire of uncertain origin which broke out Saturday morning at a farm owned by Alexander O. Ferguson completely destroyed the structure with other adjoining buildings and much property in them, entailing a loss of \$3,000. The fire was discovered shortly after five o'clock, and an alarm was sent by from Eastgate.

In a portion of the building were some chickens brooded by oil lamps. An effort was at first made to save some of the property in the barn but it proved impossible and practically everything was destroyed. The barn was 45 by 32 feet in size and two stories in height, while adjoining it was a shed 55 by 18 feet and an ell 22 by 18 feet. Another shed apart from the barn 50 by 12 feet was also destroyed.

With the buildings were also destroyed a horse valued at \$300, two cows, one valued at \$60 and the other at \$50, one two-seated carriage, one matted-covered carriage and a quantity of hay and grain, besides a dog and a number of hens.

The loss on the personal property is placed at \$1,000, while that on the building is \$2,000. The loss is partially covered by insurance placed through Dickok's agency.

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ATTACKED ARMY OFFICER.

Servant on Drunken Spree Throws Dishes and Glasses Are Summoned.

Major M. A. Day, who lately distinguished command of the military post to Lt.-Col. F. H. Hardie, had an exciting time Saturday morning as a result of his housekeeper going on a drunken spree and then trying to convince the major and the entire garrison that she was running affairs. The housekeeper, who is the wife of a former soldier, began to imbibe Friday and by Saturday morning she was in excellent "spirits." When the major entered the kitchen, he was not well informed of the avalanche of dishes. Major Day made a hasty exit to open air, but the dishes and a tongue-lashing followed him. The major then summoned the members of the main guard, and gave orders for the frenzied woman to be

presented to Dr. Atkins.

The Major's League of the First Guard met in the church Sunday evening at 155, when V. W. Nash, president of the league, in a few well-chosen words, presented Dr. Atkins with a dock for his study and a number of books, among others a set of Birkby's works. The dock will be shipped from the factory direct to Dr. Atkins' new home in Detroit. Dr. Atkins responded with a ringing "Thank you."

OUR APPLES IN ENGLAND GOOD PRICES OBTAINED.

England is importing on an average a little over 500,000 bushels of apples per week. They come from the United States and Canada. Those from Oregon bring the highest prices. The best qualities bring 35¢ a box, ordinary samples, 25¢. Those are good prices, considering that a box contains only a bushel. The California apples are selling at 25¢ a box for wet and 35¢ for ordinary grade. The United States fruits are not in high price of late.

The best range in value is from \$2.00 to \$2.50 a barrel, ordinary, from \$3.00 to \$3.50. Nova Scotia apples sell from \$6.00 to \$6.50 a barrel. Ordinary Canadian apples from various sources, bring from \$6.00 to \$8.00 a barrel. In these lines the Wagons are the cheapest and the market the nearest. Some of the latter sell for 35¢ a barrel.

The rapid development of the orchards in Australia, however, especially those in Tasmania, has brought in the English fruit market a strong competitor to American and Canadian fruits. It was assumed by the English trade that some 60,000 cases would be exported from Hobart during March and April, but cold weather and very heavy rains have turned a promising market to a barren, so that not half a crop will be harvested, and perhaps with the expected 25,000 to 30,000 cases will not reach 35¢ a barrel.

The following offices were appointed: Standard bearer, W. B. Ridder; sword bearer, Dr. C. Simonds; warden, C. H. Harrington; captain of third guard, E. F. Moore; captain of second guard, H. F. Mcintosh; captain of first guard, J. E. Franklin; sentinel, G. H. Whitton.

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

Officers Elected at Annual Meeting of Burlington Commandery.

At the annual communication of Burlington Commandery, Knights Templar, Wednesday, April 18, the following officers were elected:

Commander, C. L. Steele; Generalissimo, A. G. Mason; C. G. L. C. Grant; S. W. H. Collins; J. W. P. P. Marlow; Prelate, C. S. Stevens; Treasurer, S. C. Stetson; Secretary, H. Jones.

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STAYED UNTIL 2 O'CLOCK.

Mrs. Alger Admitted Late Visit from Fred Thompson.

This suit for alleged alienation of affection, brought by John C. Alger against Fred Thompson, which was begun Wednesday in county court, was continued Thursday and three witnesses were examined. Thompson was the first witness and he was followed by Mrs. Alger, while the testimony of J. D. Shattuck, Mrs. Alger's father, occupied the rest of the time. Thompson testified that his friendly relations with the Shattuck family ceased about two years ago. Before Alger left he visited at the Shattuck home about once a month. After Alger left he went for a week to work. Later he began to visit again at the Shattuck home once in three or four weeks. He visited with the entire family and usually left about ten o'clock. Some times he stayed as late as twelve and then talked with Minnie, Alger's wife, the old folks retiring at from 9:30 to 10 o'clock. Thompson said he talked with Mrs. Alger about securing a divorce and that at the first advised her to wait for a time. He offered to let her have money and did give her a check with which to press the case. Later he gave her \$25 and she paid \$20 of it back. Nothing was said about paying the money to him. She said he let her have it for friendship's sake, as she said she would have to sell her organ to get money. He admitted that he held Mrs. Alger's hand. He said bad feeling existed between him and the Shattuck family because of

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BOY WAS STOLEN.

Story of an Abduction at Crown Point Center, N. Y.

Lived the Life of a Slave in the Woods until He Escaped by Walking Night and Day without Food

—Now at Home in Bolton.

Unknown facts in the story of 16-year-old boy of Bolton and the abduction of his ten years' old son, George Franklin Howard. Mr. Howard is employed in the lumber camps at Bolton and is a lone lumberjack. His wife died sometime ago, leaving him two small sons. On February 1, he took the older boy to the home of his grandmother at Crown Point, Clinton, N. Y., intending that he should go to school there, then return to Bolton and in my opinion had several ideas broken and was injured internally about the chest. In the meantime the young boy at Crown Point Center had been stolen from the home of his grandmother and was living the life of a slave in the backwoods. Last Thursday, when Mr. Howard had sufficiently recovered from his illness, he was given a letter from the grandmother informing him of the abduction. He immediately left for Crown Point Center and Thursday arrived in the city with his son, little the worse for his adventure.

The boy's story is an interesting one. He was going to school one morning when he was taken to ride by a man in a team. After riding a short distance the boy tried to get out but the man said no. After a while they reached Keene valley, and then entered the woods and traveled their way through valleys, mountains and woods the greater part of the day. At length a sedated but in the woods was received into the home, given supper and put to bed. The next day he was made to work, drawing wood on a small sledge and carrying water to the house from a small spring. He was next made to chop wood and worked from early morning until late at night. When he was tired the man gave him a kick and told him to work or he would not give him anything to eat.

There were only two men in the house, and apparently they were man and wife. The boy never heard their full names but the wife called her husband Joe and he addressed her as Annie.

In the meantime the grandmother was worrying over the absence of the boy and wrote to his father. In Feb. Mr. Howard was seriously ill and it was thought best to leave the news from him.

After weeks of torture the boy became tired and planned a way to escape. One day he was sent after a pail of water and never returned a pail filled himself with the woods and traveled night and day without food.

He arrived at the home of Albert Tulliot in Plattsburgh, N. Y., although the distance from Plattsburgh to the woods, where he lay low as a captive, is measured in about 10 miles. The boy had traveled in a roundabout way and was weak. He was taken to the home of his grandmother at Crown Point Center, where he was found by his father, when he arrived there.

The boy is small for his age and is bright appearing. Mr. Howard is of Scotch descent and was born in Michigan. He returned Thursday to Bolton with his son.

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TESTIMONY COMPLETED.

Defendant in Alienation of Affection Case Principal Witness Testified.

Frank Thompson, the defendant, in the alienation of affections case brought by John C. Alger, was the principal witness in county court Saturday. The testimony in the case was completed and arguments were made by the plaintiff by C. L. Tracy and for the defendant by M. G. Lentz.

Mr. Thompson testified that he had frequently visited the Shattuck home while Alger was gone and that on some occasions he was asked to help out when she smoke of having to sell her organ to get money to conduct the case be offered to loan it to her. He denied that there was ever any talk of marriage between them.

There was some reference to his holding Mrs. Alger's hand and this provoked some amusement in the court room. Thompson did not deny that he held her hand.

ACCIDENT PROVED FATAL.

Death of Frank Rivers, Who Was Injured While Running an Elevator.

Frank Rivers, the 29 years old son of Thomas Rivers of Middlebury, who was injured while running an elevator at the Hotel Burlington, died Friday afternoon at the Mary Fletcher Hospital at about 7:30 o'clock.

Mr. Rivers and his brother Joseph had been in the elevator a short time and about a week had obtained positions at the hotel. They had Met. Mrs. Delaney, the manager, when Rivers was in prison at Middlebury, and they were trying to make a living. On Wednesday afternoon the boy, 16, had entered the elevator at the ground floor and after reaching the second floor jumped out. On glancing back he noticed that the machine was back again and he ran back and attempted to board the elevator. He threw his body over the floor but was unable to enter the cage before reaching the next landing. The body was held between the two partitions with such force that it sheared the elevator. When taken from his position he soon became unconscious and was immediately taken to the Mary Fletcher Hospital. The lower part of his body and chest were terribly bruised and his leg was paralyzed.

The body was taken to Middlebury for

things they had said about him.

Mrs. Alger said that previous to Alger's leaving home she and Thompson had been ordinary friends. After Alger left Thompson called about once in two weeks. She said Thompson proposed marriage and said he would pay \$100 to get a divorce for her if it would cost that amount. She said he stayed once until two o'clock and that her family complained about his visits.

Mr. Shattuck's testimony did not develop anything of unusual importance.

CALIFORNIA RELIEF FUND.

Appeal to the People of Vermont through Red Cross Society.

The appealing sound calamity of earthquake and fire that has destroyed San Francisco and brought death and destruction to the Golden City horrifies the hearts of the American people and arouses their deepest sympathy.

The Red Cross is advised that 200,000 people are homeless and that food and shelter are greatly needed for this multitude.

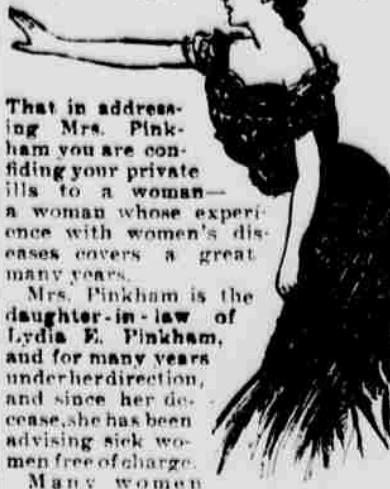
The mission of the Red Cross is to provide relief for the stricken and distressed, as far as possible as war.

California is the child of New England and San Francisco is a western town of the descendants of New Englanders.

Many women

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Many women

suffer in silence and drift along from bad to worse, knowing full well that they ought to have immediate assistance, but a natural modesty impels them to shrink from exposing themselves to the questions and probable examinations of even their family physician. It is unnecessary. Without money or price you can consult a woman whose knowledge from actual experience is great.

Mrs. Pinkham's Standing Invitation.

Women suffering from any form of female weakness are invited to promptly communicate with Mrs. Pinkham, at Lynn, Mass. All letters are received, opened, read and answered by women only. A woman can freely talk of her private illness to a woman; thus has been established the eternal confidence between Mrs. Pinkham and the women of America which has never been broken.

Out of the vast volume of experience which she has drawn from, it is more than possible that she has gained the very knowledge that will help your case.

She asks nothing in return except your good-will, and her advice has relieved thousands.

Surely any woman, rich or poor, is very foolish if she does not take advantage of this generous offer of assistance.

President M. H. Buckland responded to the sentiment. "The Schoolmaster As a Public Man." He said it was good for a schoolmaster to go out into public life because it broadened him into nature.

Another reason was the fact that he could do so good in the community.

He said that at one time the superintendent and the schoolmaster guided the affairs of the community. It now depends more on the schoolmaster than it formerly did. The schoolmaster should interest himself in outside affairs as to be an influential and moral force. The teacher as a public man is radical, conservative, visionary, practical, a large, sane, true man.

Lydia S. Stone, State superintendent of education, had for his sentiment "Boys and Girls in the Army and Navy." He said Boys and Girls are given opportunity but it is important to develop in them their power which makes them great. The boys and girls of today ought to be greater than their fathers because of all the advantages they have.

The speaker said the boys and girls were a guarantee that the differences in religion would be settled, were an assurance that all people should think and act politically as they chose not at the dictation of a small clique.

The committee composed of J. S. Alger, A. E. Tuttle and W. P. Abbott, appointed a year ago to make a report with reference to courses of study for high schools had a preliminary report prepared and this was generally received, the object being to get a uniform system throughout the State, this object to be obtained probably by an act of the Legislature. The report of the committee was as follows:

GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS.

The length of the year for high school, must be not less than 58 weeks.

High school teachers must be college graduates or holders of first grade certificates.

We recommend the adoption by the State of a special high school teacher certificate in addition to the certificates already in use.

The length of recitation period must be not less than 50 minutes for any class, and should be at least 40 minutes for classes of ten or more students.

No school should be considered a legal high school or allowed to collect tuition until the daily programme, as well as the courses of study followed, have been approved by the State superintendent of education.

STUDIES REQUIRED IN ALL COURSES.

All courses should include the following constants:

English four years, at least three periods per week each year, mathematics, including algebra through quadratics, and plane geometry, at least two years, six periods per week.

HISTORY, ancient and general, at least one year, five periods per week.

One foreign language, at least two years, five periods per week.

Enough improved classics from the following list to make up for the year, course a total of 70 points, in addition to the work in drawing, music, penmanship, elocution, etc., required of all students. Each study counts one point for a recitation period per week.

SUBJECTS BY YEARS.

English—See report of committee, "N. E. A. on college entrance requirements."</